



**IF YOU BELIEVED,
YOU WOULD SEE**

JOHN 11



NOT SEEING CREATES DOUBT IN:

JESUS' LOVE - JOHN 11:3, 5-6

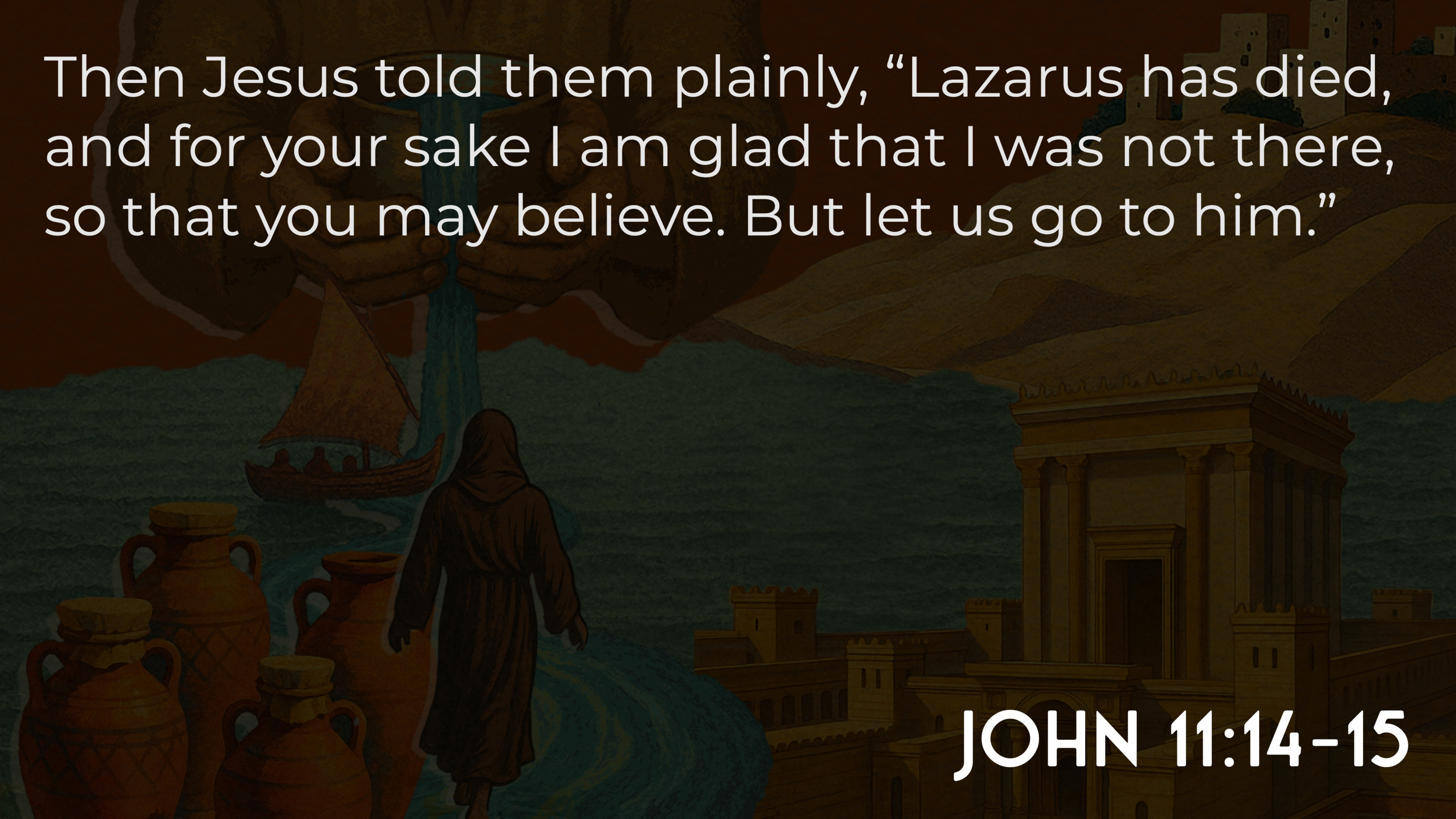
JESUS' WISDOM - JOHN 11:7-10

JESUS' REALITY - JOHN 11:11-14



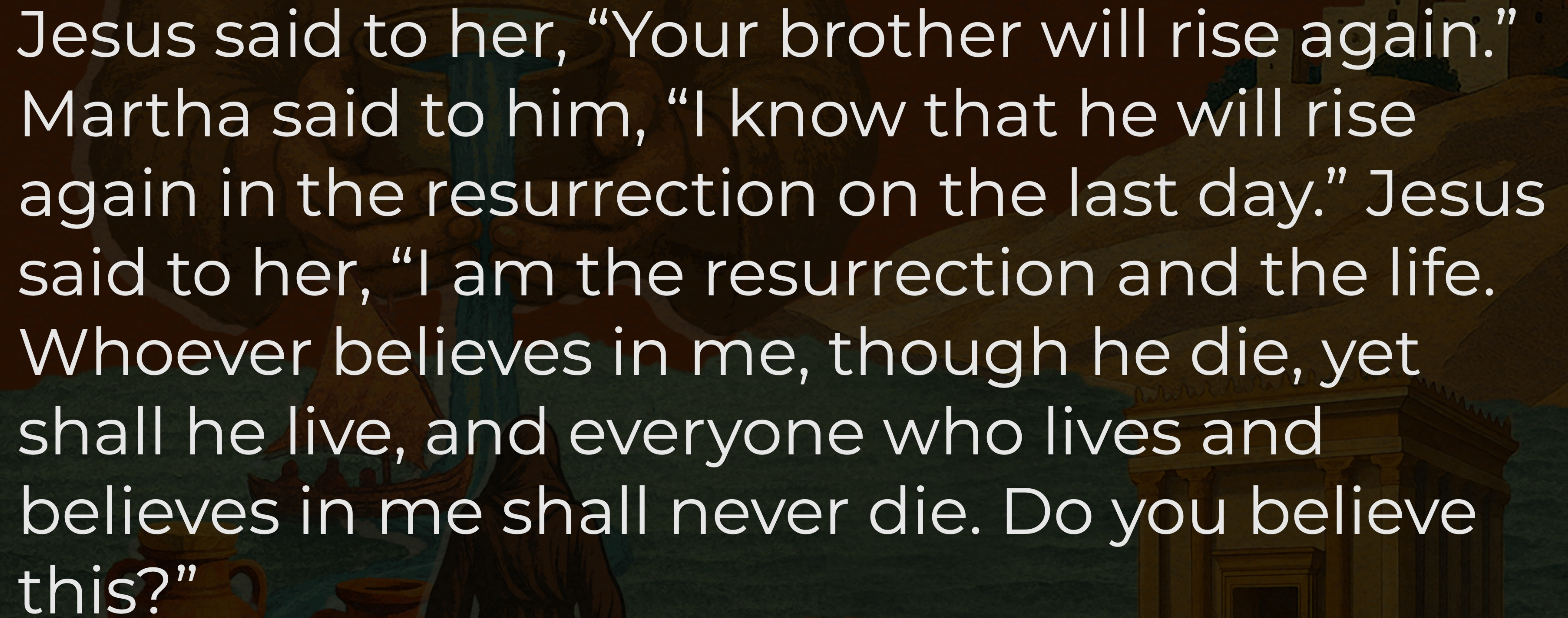
WHY DO WE NEED TO BELIEVE TO SEE?

POWER CAN BE SEEN, BUT PURPOSES
MUST BE BELIEVED (1-6)



Then Jesus told them plainly, “Lazarus has died, and for your sake I am glad that I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him.”

JOHN 11:14-15



Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?"

JOHN 11:23-26

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WHAT THEY WANTED:

LAZARUS HEALED

PAIN AVOIDED

CONTROL MAINTAINED

JESUS PREDICTABLE

WHAT THEY NEEDED:

A TRUST DETACHED
FROM LUCK OR TIMING

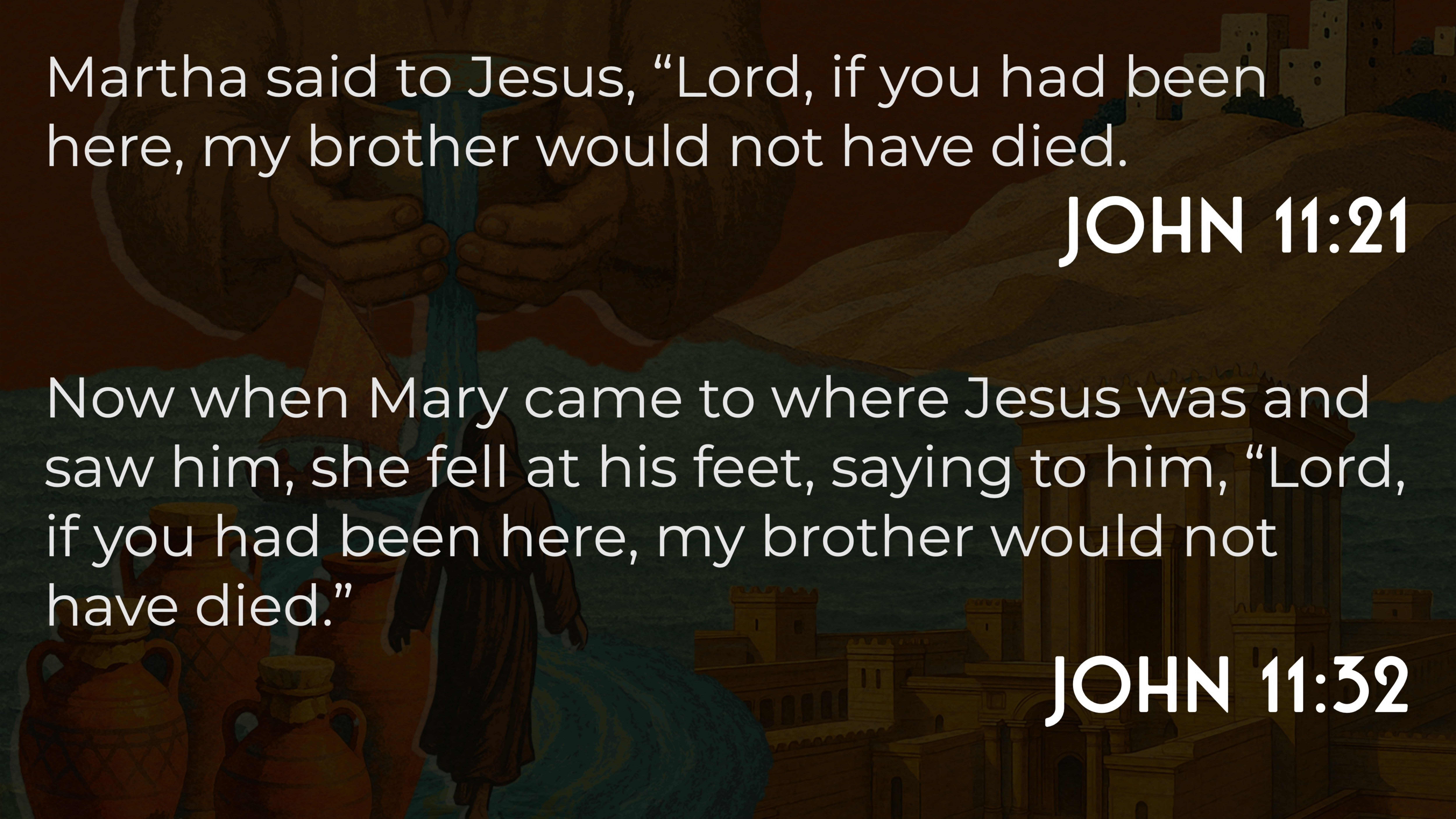
A CLEARER REVELATION
OF JESUS

A RESURRECTION HOPE



WHY DO WE NEED TO BELIEVE TO SEE?

WE CAN SEE WHAT WE WANT, BUT
NOT WHAT WE NEED (14- 15)



Martha said to Jesus, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.

JOHN 11:21

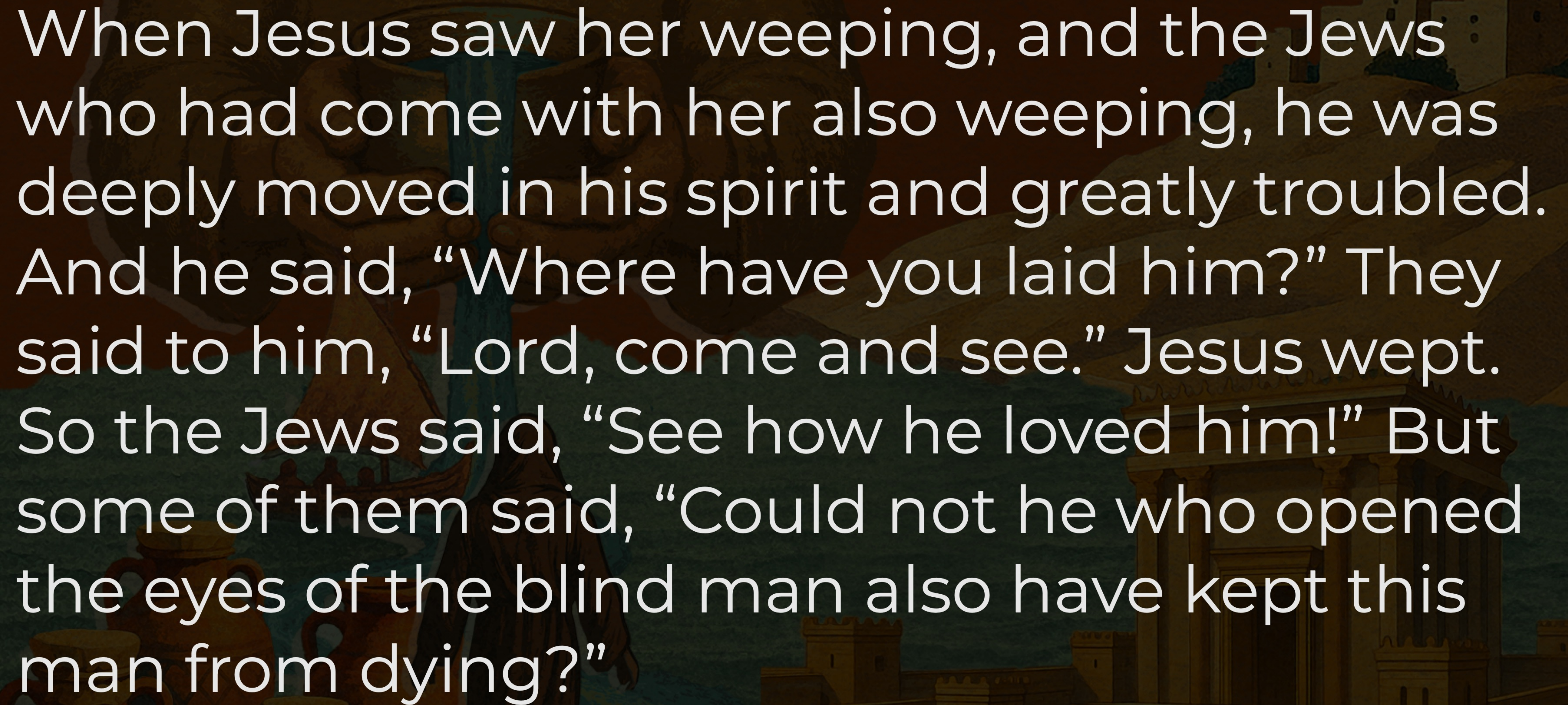
Now when Mary came to where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet, saying to him, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.”

JOHN 11:32



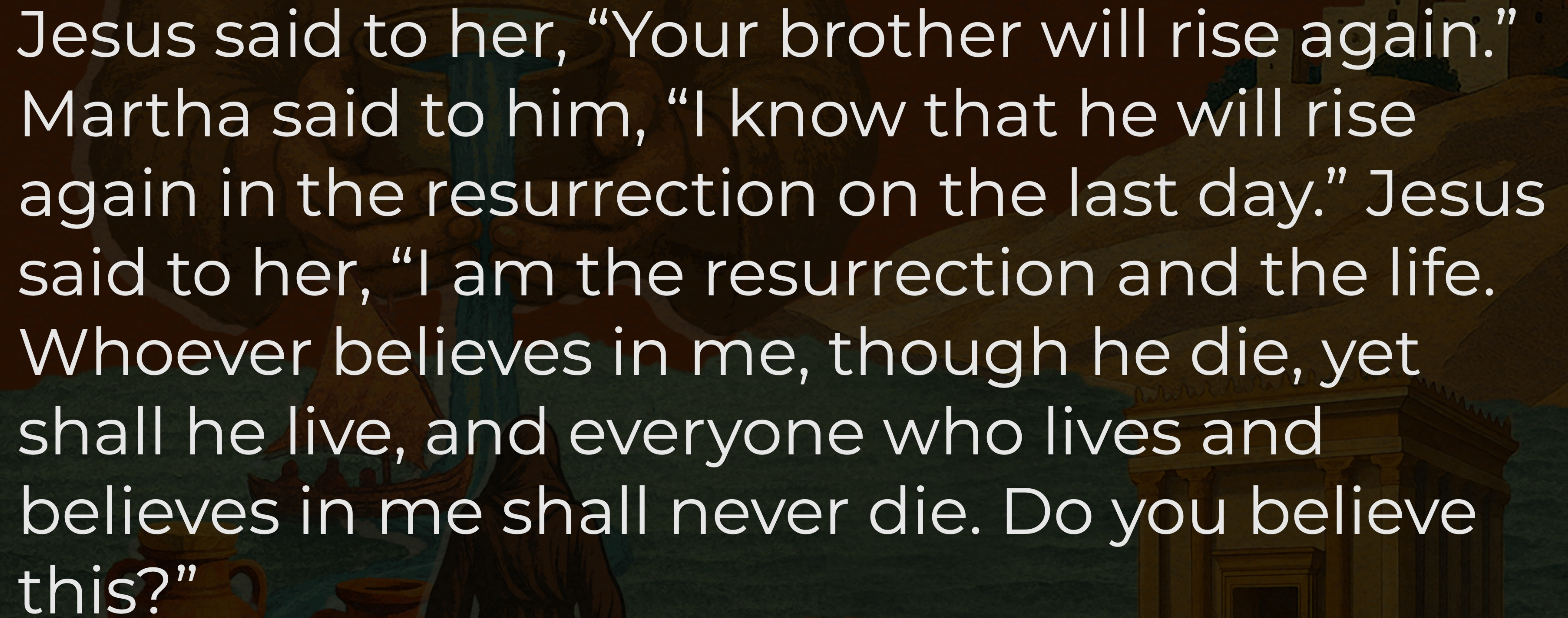
WHY DO WE NEED TO BELIEVE TO SEE?

SIGHT STOPS AT DEATH; BELIEF
SEES BEYOND IT (17-27)



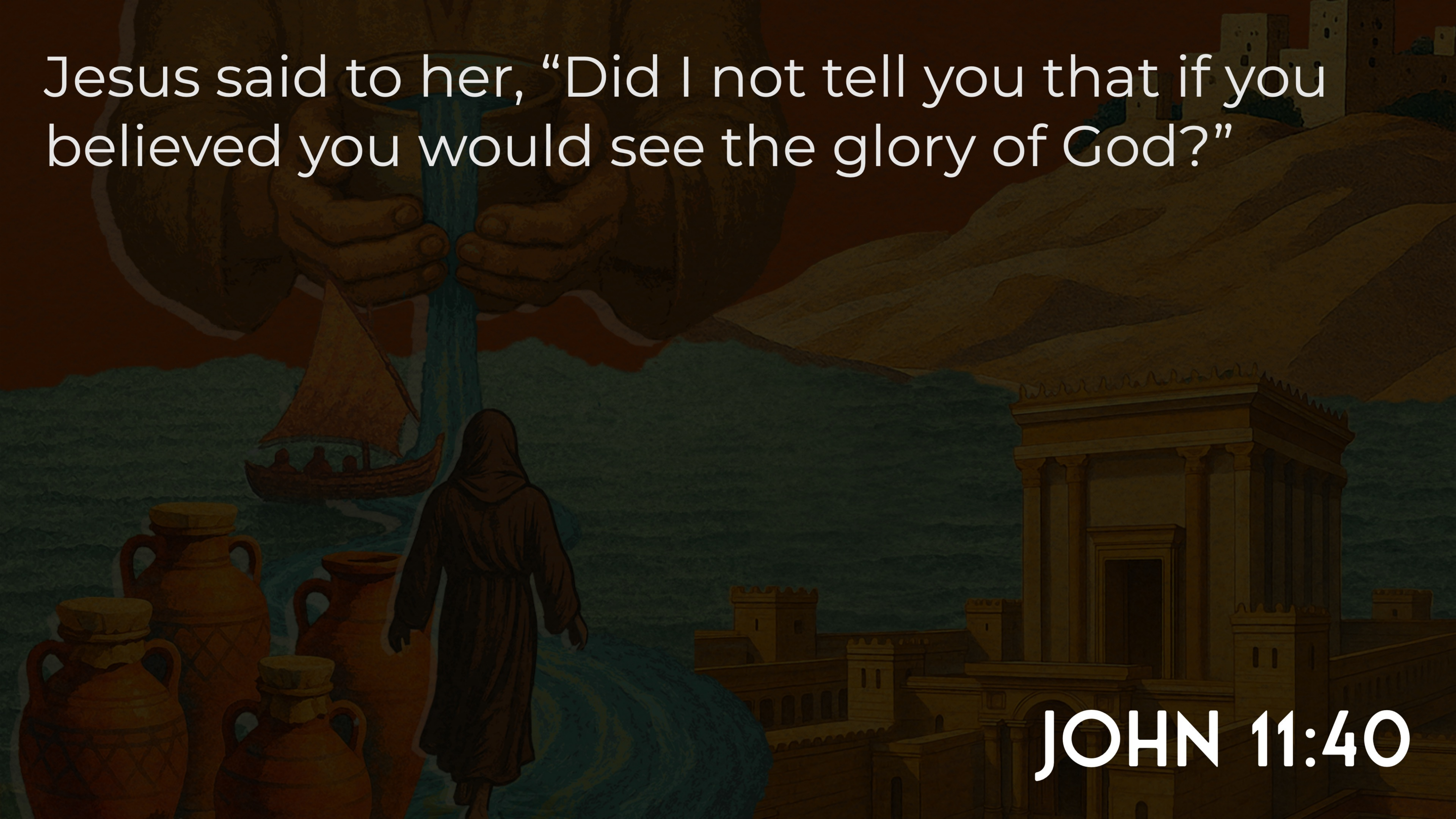
When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in his spirit and greatly troubled. And he said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus wept. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man also have kept this man from dying?"

JOHN 11:33-37



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Jesus said to her, “Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?”

JOHN 11:40

The background is a composite illustration. At the top, a large, dark, textured hand holds a golden chalice. Below this, a man in a dark robe stands on a green hill. In the foreground, several large, ornate golden vessels are visible. The background also features a city with ancient architecture, including a large temple with columns and a wall with towers. The overall color palette is dominated by warm, earthy tones like gold, brown, and green.

**JESUS DOESN'T BEGIN WITH
A MIRACLE BUT WITH A
DECLARATION. (11:43)**



WHY DO WE NEED TO BELIEVE TO SEE?

SIGHT RESPONDS TO THE WORLD;
BELIEF RESPONDS TO JESUS' WORDS



JOHN 11:41-42

IT'S A PRAYER OF CERTAINTY.

IT'S A PRAYER OF RELATIONSHIP.

IT'S A PRAYER FOR US.



WHY DO WE NEED TO BELIEVE TO SEE?

WE SEE OUR PRAYERS, OUR
BELIEF RESTS IN JESUS' PRAYER

AND THE RESPONSE CONFIRMS IT

Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what he did, believed in him,

JOHN 11:45

So the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered the council and said, “What are we to do? For this man performs many signs. If we let him go on like this, everyone will believe in him, and the Romans will come and take away both our place and our nation.” [...] So from that day on they made plans to put him to death.

JOHN 11:47-48, 53



“Faith is not believing something without evidence; it is trusting something without reservation.”

~ TIM KELLER